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A few weeks ago an agent from the FBI, Don Lavey, spoke to the Polygraph Training School on "Terrorism in the U.S." He left us the attached speech outline. It is a bit dated, but interesting. We have a copy for our library. (The paper and contents are unclassified.)

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OVERVIEW OF TERRORISM IN THE UNITED STATES

I. INTRODUCTION: SLIDE I FBI SEAL

TERRORISM IS A FACT OF LIFE IN MANY COUNTRIES IN THE WORLD TODAY. THERE ARE LITERALLY HUNDREDS OF GROUPS ESPOUSING CAUSES THAT RUN THE COMPLETE GAMBIT OF THE POLITICAL SPECTRUM THAT HAVE PARTICIPATED IN OR ESPOUSE TERRORISM AS A VIABLE MEANS TO AN END. TERRORISM MEANS DIFFERENT THINGS TO DIFFERENT PEOPLE, BUT THERE IS GENERALLY A CONSENSUS OF OPINION THAT TERRORISM IS POLITICALLY OR SOCIALLY MOTIVATED ACTS OF VIOLENCE TO INTIMIDATE OR COERCE THE POPULATION OR A SEGMENT OF THE POPULATION.

WHEN A PERSON ATTEMPTS TO DEFINE TERRORISM HE ENCOUNTERS NUMEROUS DEFINITIONS AND ADVERSE CONCEPTS OF WHAT IS ENTAILED IN TERRORISM. THIS FACT ACCOUNTS FOR THE CONFUSION AND SEEMINGLY UNCLEAR DIRECTION A LARGE NUMBER OF COUNTRIES ENCOUNTER WHEN DEALING WITH THIS TOPIC.

FOR THE NEXT FEW MINUTES LET'S LOOK AT SOME SALIENT FACTS ABOUT TERRORISM, NOT SO MUCH AROUND THE WORLD, BUT IN THE UNITED STATES.

II. TERRORISM IN THE UNITED STATES: SLIDE 2 TERRORISM OVERVIEW

A. DEFINITION OF TERRORISM:

ALTHOUGH THERE IS NO OFFICIAL DEFINITION OF TERRORISM IN THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT CIRCLES, THE FOLLOWING IS A WORKABLE ONE: TERRORISM IS DEFINED AS THE UNLAWFUL USE OR THREATENED USE OF FORCE OR VIOLENCE AGAINST PERSONS OR PROPERTY TO INTIMIDATE OR COERCE A GOVERNMENT, THE CIVILIAN POPULATION, OR ANY SEGMENT THEREOF, IN FURTHERANCE OF POLITICAL OR SOCIAL OBJECTIVES.

B. CHARACTERISTICS OF TERRORISM: SLIDE 3 CHARACTERISTICS OF TERRORISM

1. SIZE: ALTHOUGH SUPPORT GROUPS USUALLY LARGE, THE ACTION GROUPS USUALLY SMALL.
2. DEDICATION: EXTREMELY DEDICATED. WILLING TO DIE IF NECESSARY, BUT NOT PLANNING ON IT.
3. THEATRE: TERRORISTS ARE LIKE ACTORS ON STAGE PLAYING A PART. THEY WANT PUBLICITY.
4. TARGET: CHOSEN TO SYMBOLIZE THEIR CAUSE. ARMENIANS TARGET TURKS. CROATIANS TARGET YUGOSLAVIANS, ETC.

C. FBI'S ROLE: SLIDE 4 FBI'S FIELD OFFICES & RESIDENT AGENCIES

THE FBI HAS BEEN DESIGNATED THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT'S LEAD AGENCY TO COMBAT TERRORISM WITHIN THE UNITED STATES. IF A TERRORIST INCIDENT OCCUR OUTSIDE THE UNITED STATES, THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE HAS BEEN DESIGNATED THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENTAL AGENCY HAVING RESPONSIBILITY AND THE FBI HAS THE SAME RESPONSIBILITY FOR ACTS OCCURRING IN THE UNITED STATES.

AS THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT'S LEAD AGENCY, THE FBI HAS A DUAL RESPONSIBILITY AS IT RELATES TO TERRORISM. THE FIRST IS TO COLLECT ALL INTELLIGENCE, LEGALLY OBTAINABLE ABOUT BOTH DOMESTIC, HOME-GROWN, AND INTERNATIONAL FOREIGN-BASED DIRECTED OR INFLUENCED TERRORIST GROUPS POSING A THREAT TO THE SECURITY OF THE UNITED STATES. THIS INTELLIGENCE IS TO BE USED TO PREVENT THESE GROUPS FROM COMMITTING CRIMINAL ACTS OR DISRUPTING THE NORMAL OPERATIONS OF THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT. THIS SOMETIMES LEADS TO PROSECUTION OF MEMBERS OF THE GROUPS, EXPULSION OR OTHERWISE NEUTRALIZATION OF THEIR EFFORTS.

THE SECOND PORTION OF THE FBI'S RESPONSIBILITY INVOLVES THE RESPONSE TO AND INVESTIGATION OF CRIMINAL ACTS COMMITTED BY THESE GROUPS. IN MANY SITUATIONS SUCH AS THE RECENT ARMENIAN

ASSASSINATIONS, THE FBI HAS CONCURRENT JURISDICTION WITH THE LOCAL OR STATE POLICE ENTITIES WHICH RESPOND TO THE SCENE. THIS NECESSITATES VERY CLOSE COORDINATION OF INVESTIGATIVE EFFORTS AND RESOURCES.

IN SOME INSTANCES THE FBI HAS DIRECT JURISDICTION OVER THE CRIME COMMITTED, BUT IN SOME THE ONLY JURISDICTION THE FBI WOULD HAVE WOULD BE ITS INTELLIGENCE GATHERING RESPONSIBILITIES.

D. STATISTICS RELEVANT TO TERRORISM IN THE UNITED STATES:
SLIDES 5, 6, 7, AND 8

ALTHOUGH TERRORISM IS NOT THE MAJOR PROBLEM IN THE UNITED STATES THAT IT IS IN OTHER PARTS OF THE WORLD, THERE HAVE BEEN A NUMBER OF TERRORIST INCIDENTS WHICH HAVE OCCURRED IN THE UNITED STATES IN THE LAST FIVE YEARS.

SLIDE 5: 1977 - 110 INCIDENTS

SLIDE 6: 1978 - 69 INCIDENTS

SLIDE 7: 1979 - 52 INCIDENTS

SLIDE 8: 1980 - 29 INCIDENTS

1981 - 42 INCIDENTS (NO SLIDE)

1982 - 7/30/82: 26 INCIDENTS (NO SLIDE)

E. TRENDS IN TERRORISM:

IDEALISTIC VS NATIONALISTIC

IN THE LATE 1960'S, AND EARLY TO MID 1970'S, THE TYPE OF TERRORIST ACTIVITY IN THE UNITED STATES INVOLVED THE HOME-GROWN SUBVERSIVE. THE SO-CALLED IDEALISTIC STUDENTS WHO WERE UNHAPPY WITH THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES EXPRESSED THEIR DISPLEASURE BY BOMBINGS, ETC., TO DEMONSTRATE THEIR DISILLUSIONMENT WITH THE "SYSTEM." TODAY THE MAJOR PORTION OF THE TERRORIST INCIDENTS, WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THOSE ACTS COMMITTED BY THE PROINDEPENDENCE PUERTO RICAN TERRORISTS, ARE NOT COMMITTED TO ALTER THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT POLICY, BUT ARE COMMITTED IN FURTHERANCE OF THE NATIONALISTIC CAUSE OF THE GROUP COMMITTING THE ACT, I.E., CROATIANS - FREE CROATIA; CUBAN - CUBA FREE FROM CASTRO; ARMENIAN - ARME~~X~~NIAN HOMELAND, REVENGE FOR ALLEGED MASSACRE OF ARMENIANS BY TURKS IN 1915; IRISH REPUBLICAN ARMY - COLLECTION OF WEAPONS, ETC., TO SEND TO NORTHERN IRELAND.

F. GROUPS ACTIVE IN THE UNITED STATES:

1. PUERTO RICAN TERRORISM: SLIDES 9-25

THE PUERTO RICAN INDEPENDENCE MOVEMENT WAS ORIGINATED BY THE NATIONALIST PARTY OF PUERTO RICO IN A 1868 INSULAR UPRISING. AT THAT TIME, A SMALL REVOLUTION TOOK PLACE FOR THE PURPOSE OF OVERTHROWING THE SPANISH GOVERNMENT AND ESTABLISHING A REPUBLIC OF PUERTO RICO. THIS INDEPENDENCE REVOLT WAS FINALLY QUELLED BY SPANISH AUTHORITIES.

ON NOVEMBER 25, 1897, SPAIN RECOGNIZED THE REPUBLIC OF PUERTO RICO IN A DOCUMENT KNOWN AS THE "AUTONOMIC CHARTER." SHORTLY THEREAFTER, SPAIN WAS DEFEATED IN A WAR WITH THE UNITED STATES, AND PUERTO RICO WAS CEDED TO THE UNITED STATES BY A TREATY IN 1898. THE NATIONALIST PARTY OF PUERTO RICO REFUSED TO RECOGNIZED THE TREATY, HOWEVER CHARGING IT WAS NULL AND VOID AFFECTING PUERTO RICANS.

THE NATIONALIST PARTY OF PUERTO RICO WAS FORMALLY RECOGNIZED IN 1922, AVOWING ITS PURPOSES AS SECURING THE SEPARATION OF PUERTO RICO FROM THE UNITED STATES, AND ESTABLISHING PUERTO RICO AS A FREE, INDEPENDENT, AND SOVEREIGN NATION.

BY 1932, THE NATIONALIST PARTY OF PUERTO RICO RECEIVED SUCH A SMALL PROPORTION OF VOTER SUPPORT THAT PARTY LEADERS ABANDONED THE OBJECTIVE OF SECURING INDEPENDENCE THROUGH THE MEDIUM OF THE VOTE, AND TURNED TOWARD A RELIANCE ON VIOLENCE.

THE VIOLENT ACTS BEING PERPETRATED BY PUERTO RICAN
TERRORIST GROUPS TODAY ARE JUST A CONTINUATION OF WHAT HAS BEEN
HAPPENING FOR THE LAST THIRTY TO THIRTY-FIVE YEARS.

THE FOLLOWING SLIDES DEPICT THE EXTENT OF THIS PROBLEM:

SLIDES 9 & 10: SUBJECTS WHO ATTEMPTED TO ASSASSINATE
PRESIDENT TRUMAN IN 1950. THESE TWO MEN
TRIED TO ASSASSINATE PRESIDENT TRUMAN IN
1950. ATTEMPT WAS THWARTED.

SLIDE 11: SHOOTING SCENE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES IN 1954.
IN 1954 PROINDEPENDENCE PUERTO RICAN TERRORISTS,
WHO WERE LOCATED IN THE VISITORS GALLERY OF THE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, BEGAN SHOOTING AT
MEMBERS OF CONGRESS ON THE FLOOR OF THE HOUSE.
THEY WERE CAPTURED, TRIED AND CONVICTED. THEY
WERE PARDONED BY PRESIDENT CARTER AND THEY RETURNED
TO PUERTO RICO.
THEY WERE JUST AS VEHEMENT ON THE DAY OF THEIR
RELEASE IN THEIR SUPPORT OF THE PROINDEPENDENCE
MOVEMENT IN PUERTO RICO AND THE USE OF VIOLENCE
TO GAIN THAT INDEPENDENCE AS THEY WERE THE DAY
THEY WERE ARRESTED IN 1954.

SLIDE 12: ARMED FORCES OF PUERTO RICAN NATIONAL
LIBERATION -- BETTER KNOWN AS FALN -- LOGO.
ONE OF THE MOST FAMOUS OF THE PROINDEPENDENCE
PUERTO RICAN TERRORIST GROUP IS THE FALN. IT HAS
BEEN RESPONSIBLE FOR ^{OVER} 120 BOMBINGS SINCE
OCTOBER 26, 1974. THESE HAVE RESULTED IN FIVE
DEATHS AND OVER 80 INJURIES. UNTIL APRIL 4, 1980,
THEY WERE THE MOST ACTIVE PUERTO RICAN TERRORIST
GROUP IN THE UNITED STATES.
IN APRIL OF 1980, CARLOS TORRES, LEADER OF THE FALN,
HAYDEE TORRES, HIS WIFE, AND NINE OTHER FALN
MEMBERS WERE ARRESTED IN EVANSTON, ILLINIOS
PREPARING FOR A TERRORIST ATTACK. ALL OF THOSE
ARRESTED, WITH THE EXCEPTION OF HAYDEE TORRES,
WERE TRIED AND CONVICTED FOR VARIOUS FEDERAL
CHARGES AND WERE SENTENCED TO 50 TO 90 YEARS FOR
THESE CRIMES. HAYDEE TORRES WAS RETURNED TO
NEW YORK CITY AND TRIED FOR THE 1977 MOBIL OIL
BOMBING FOR WHICH THE FALN CLAIMED CREDIT, WHICH
RESULTED IN THE DEATH OF ONE PERSON AND INJURY
OF SEVERAL MORE. SHE WAS CONVICTED AND SENTENCED
TO LIFE IN PRISION.

THE FOLLOWING SLIDES DEPICT SOME OF THE ACTS
PERPETRATED BY THE FALN AND INFORMATION ON THEIR ACTS:

SLIDE 13: FALN BOMBING TARGETS.

SLIDE 14: FALN BOMBING DAY OF WEEK.

~~SLIDE 15: FIVE BOMBS NEW YORK CITY IN 1974.~~

~~SLIDE 16: FRAUNCES TAVERN 1975 - NEW YORK CITY.~~

SLIDE 17: MANUALS RECOVERED FROM FALN BOMB FACTORY -
NEW YORK CITY.

SLIDE 18: WEAPONS FACTORY - NEW YORK CITY.

FROM APRIL 4, 1980, UNTIL FEBRUARY 28, 1982, THE FALN
CLAIMED CREDIT FOR NO TERRORIST ACTS. ON APRIL 28, 1982, FOUR
BOMBS EXPLODED IN THE FINANCIAL DISTRICT OF NEW YORK CITY. THE
FALN CLAIMED CREDIT AND WAS IN ESSENCE SAYING "WE ARE ALIVE AND
WELL."

PUERTO RICAN ARMED RESISTANCE

THE PUERTO RICAN ARMED RESISTANCE IS A LITTLE KNOWN PROINDEPENDENCE PUERTO RICAN TERRORIST GROUP THAT CLAIMED CREDIT FOR ONE BOMBING IN DECEMBER OF 1980, AND FIVE BOMBINGS IN NEW YORK CITY IN MAY OF 1981.

SLIDE 19: IN DECEMBER OF 1980, TWO BOMBS WENT OFF IN PENN STATION IN NEW YORK CITY. THE BLAST WAS CLAIMED BY THE PUERTO RICAN ARMED RESISTANCE.

SLIDES 20 & ~~21~~: DURING MAY OF 1981, TWO BOMBS WERE PLACED AT JOHN F. KENNEDY AIRPORT IN NEW YORK CITY. ONE WAS PLACED IN A MEN'S RESTROOM AND ONE WAS PLACED BY A PLATE GLASS WINDOW. THE ONE IN THE RESTROOM DETONATED KILLING ONE PERSON; THE ONE BY THE PLATE GLASS WINDOW DID NOT EXPLODE. ON THE SAME DATE, THREE MORE BOMBS WERE MAILED TO DIPLOMATIC ESTABLISHMENTS IN NEW YORK CITY. NONE DETONATED. ALL FIVE BOMBS WERE CLAIMED BY THE PUERTO RICAN ARMED RESISTANCE.

ARMED FORCES OF POPULAR RESISTANCE

THE ARMED FORCES OF POPULAR RESISTANCE IS ALSO A PROINDEPENDENCE PUERTO RICAN TERRORIST GROUP ACTIVE IN PUERTO RICO. THEY HAVE CLAIMED CREDIT FOR NUMEROUS TERRORIST INCIDENTS, ONE OF WHICH IS DEPICTED IN THE FOLLOWING SLIDE:

SLIDES 22 & 23: MARCH 15, 1981 - CAR BOMB AT CONDADO CONVENTION CENTER. APPROXIMATELY ONE HOUR BEFORE HENRY KISSINGER WAS TO SPEAK IN THE CONDADO CONVENTION CENTER, SAN JUAN, PUERTO RICO, A CAR EXPLODED IN THE PARKING GARAGE UNDER THE CENTER. THERE WERE NO INJURIES, BUT THE MEETING WAS DISRUPTED. THE ACTION WAS CLAIMED BY THE ARMED FORCES OF POPULAR RESISTANCE.

EPB-MATCHETEROS (MACHETE SWINGERS)

THE MATCHETEROS IS THE MOST ACTIVE PROINDEPENDENCE PUERTO RICO TERRORIST GROUP ACTIVE TODAY. THEY FIRST REARED THEIR UGLY HEAD IN 1978, BY SHOOTING A POLICE OFFICER ON THE ISLAND OF PUERTO RICO AND THEN SENDING A COMMUNIQUE IN WHICH THEY ADMITTED TO THE SHOOTING, BUT SAID IT WAS AN ACCIDENT. IN 1978, THEY ALSO STOLE 1,600 POUNDS OF IREMITE EXPLOSIVE FROM A CONSTRUCTION SITE ON THE ISLAND OF PUERTO RICO.

THEY FIRST BECAME INFAMOUS IN THE FALL OF 1979, WHEN THEY AND SEVERAL OTHER GROUPS CLAIMED CREDIT FOR THE AMBUSH OF A NAVY BUS ON THE ISLAND OF PUERTO RICO THAT RESULTED IN THE DEATH OF SEVERAL NAVY PERSONNEL AND THE WOUNDING OF NUMEROUS OTHERS. IN THE SPRING OF 1980, THEY CLAIMED CREDIT FOR SHOOTING THE CAR OF TWO RESERVE MILITARY OFFICERS. SEVENTEEN SHOTS WERE FIRED FROM AN M16 RIFLE, BUT THE TWO OFFICERS WERE NOT HIT EXCEPT BY FLYING GLASS.

SLIDES 24 & 25: MUNIZ AIR BASE -- ON JANUARY 12, 1981, THE MATCHETEROS COMMITTED THEIR MOST BRAZEN ACT TO DATE. A TEAM OF COMMANDOS ENTERED MUNIZ AIR BASE ADJACENT TO

SAN JUAN AIRPORT, SAN JUAN, PUERTO RICO
AND DESTROYED \$50 MILLION DOLLARS WORTH OF
AIR NATIONAL GUARD AIRCRAFT.

THEY PLACE TWO BOMBS ON EACH JET, ONE IN
THE INTAKE AND ONE IN THE WHEEL WELL.

THE EXPLOSIVE USED IN THESE BOMBS WAS
IDENTICAL TO THAT STOLEN IN 1978.

THEY WERE SO PROUD OF THEIR ACTIVITIES
AND SUCCESS THEY SENT A VIDEO TAPE OF
THEIR PREPARATIONS FOR THE ATTACK TO THE
TV STATIONS IN PUERTO RICO TO BE AIRED.
THIS GROUP CONTINUES TO BE ACTIVE AND SO
FAR IN 1982, THEY HAVE BEEN INVOLVED IN
TWO SHOOTINGS WHICH RESULTED IN TWO DEATHS.

2. ARMENIAN TERRORISM:

THERE ARE PRIMARILY TWO ARMENIAN TERRORIST GROUPS WHICH HAVE BEEN ACTIVE IN THE UNITED STATES. THEY ARE THE ARMENIAN SECRET ARMY FOR THE LIBERATION OF ARMENIA AND THE JUSTICE COMMANDOS OF THE ARMENIAN GENOCIDE. ALTHOUGH THESE TWO GROUPS DISAGREE IN THEIR POLITICAL VIEWS, THEY BOTH ESPOUSE THE SAME CAUSE AND GIVE THE SAME REASONS FOR THEIR ACTIVITIES.

BOTH OF THESE GROUPS HAVE CLAIMED CREDIT FOR TERRORIST INCIDENTS IN THE UNITED STATES AND ABROAD, AND THEIR COMMUNIQUEES STATE THAT THE ACTS ARE IN RETALIATION FOR THE MASSACRE OF 1.5 MILLION ARMENIANS BY THE TURKS IN 1915. THEY ALSO ARE ASKING FOR A RETURN OF THEIR HISTORICAL HOMELAND.

THEIR FIGHT IS NOT NEW, BUT THEIR PROPENSITY FOR VIOLENCE HAS INCREASED DRASTICALLY IN THE RECENT PAST AND IS CONTINUING.

WITH THE RISE OF NATIONALISM THROUGHOUT EUROPE, THE ARMENIAN STRUGGLE FOR AUTONOMY AND MODERNIZATION TOOK ON NEW VIGOR IN THE 1880'S. BY THE 1890'S, THE ARMENIANS BEGAN TO FORM POLITICAL ORGANIZATIONS FOR SELF-PROTECTION AND AS A VEHICLE FROM WHICH TO VOICE THEIR DESIRE FOR A FREE ARMENIA.

IN THE OTTOMAN EMPIRE, NATIONALISM WAS VIEWED BY THE TURKS AS A SERIOUS INTERNAL THREAT. FEARFUL OF THE NEW INCREASED BOLDNESS OF THE ARMENIANS, THE TURKS RESPONDED WITH UNPRECEDENTED BRUTALITY, WHICH RESULTED IN TENS OF THOUSANDS OF ARMENIAN DEATHS FROM 1894 TO 1896.

DURING THE FIRST YEAR OF RULE OF THE PAN-TURANISM IN 1909, over 30,000 MORE ARMENIANS WERE MASSACRED IN ORDER TO SUPPRESS THE NATIONAL AMBITIONS OF THE ARMENIAN PEOPLE.

BY 1915, THE TURKS ORDERED A MASS DEPORTATION OF ARMENIANS FROM TURKISH ARMENIA TO SYRIA AND IRAQ. IT WAS ALLEGED THAT 1.5 MILLION PEOPLE (APPROXIMATELY 60% OF THE TURKISH ARMENIAN POPULATION) WERE KILLED OR DIED ON THE JOURNEY.

THE BASIS FOR THEIR GREVIANCES, AS PERCEIVED BY THE ARMENIANS, IS NOT ONLY A HOPE FOR THE RESTORATION OF THEIR HOMELAND, BUT ALSO TO SEEK JUSTICE FOR THE ALLEGED MASS MURDER OF OVER 1.5 MILLION PEOPLE.

MODERN DAY ARMENIAN TERRORISTS HAVE CLAIMED RESPONSIBILITY FOR AT LEAST 130 INCIDENTS AROUND THE WORLD OVER THE LAST FIVE YEARS, INCLUDING THE ASSASSINATION OF 14 TURKISH DIPLOMATS AND FAMILY MEMBERS, AND FIVE ATTEMPTED ASSASSINATIONS OF TURKISH DIPLOMATS.

JUSTICE COMMANDOS OF THE ARMENIAN GENOCIDE

THIS GROUP IS ONE THE TWO MAIN ARMENIAN TERRORIST GROUPS ACTIVE IN THE UNITED STATES. THEY HAVE COMMITTED NUMEROUS BOMBINGS AND ASSASSINATIONS AROUND THE WORLD. THEY HAVE ALSO BOMBED TARGETS IN THE UNITED STATES AND HAVE COMMITTED AT LEAST TWO ASSASSINATIONS.

SLIDE 26: ON OCTOBER 12, 1980, THE JUSTICE COMMANDOS OF THE ARMENIAN GENOCIDE CLAIMED CREDIT FOR A BOMB PLACED OUTSIDE A TURKISH TRAVEL AGENCY IN HOLLYWOOD, CALIFORNIA. ALTHOUGH THE DEVICE WAS POWERFUL AND DID CONSIDERABLE DAMAGE, ONLY ONE PERSON WAS INJURED.

SLIDE 27: ON OCTOBER 12, 1980, THE JUSTICE COMMANDOS OF THE ARMENIAN GENOCIDE PLACED A BOMB IN A CAR IN FRONT OF THE TURKISH MISSION TO THE UNITED NATIONS.

SLIDES 28 & 29: THE JUSTICE COMMANDOS OF THE ARMENIAN GENOCIDE BOMBED THE HONORARY TURKISH CONSULATE IN BOSTON AND THEN ON MAY 4, 1982, THEY ASSASSINATED THE HONORARY CONSUL GENERAL.

THEY ALSO ASSASSINATED THE TURKISH
CONSUL GENERAL IN LOS ANGELES ON
JANUARY 28, 1982.

THIS GROUP HAS SHOWN A GREAT PROPENSITY
FOR VIOLENT ACTS AND HAS DISPLAYED A
COMPLETE AND WANTON DISREGARD FOR
HUMAN LIVES.

ARMENIAN SECRET ARMY FOR THE LIBERATION OF ARMENIA

THIS GROUP IS THE OTHER MOST VIOLENT OF THE ARMENIAN TERRORIST GROUPS. THEY ALSO ISSUE COMMUNIQUEs STATING THAT THEIR ACTS ARE CARRIED OUT IN RETRIBUTION FOR THE ANNIHILATION OF 1.5 MILLION ARMENIANS BY THE TURKS IN 1915, AND ALSO TO REGAIN THEIR HISTORICAL HOMELAND.

SLIDE 30: THIS GROUP CLAIMED CREDIT FOR FIVE BOMBINGS OR ATTEMPTED BOMBINGS IN 1981, AND ON MAY 30, 1982, THEY ATTEMPTED TO BOMB THE AIR CANADA TERMINAL AT LOS ANGELES AIRPORT. THIS WAS BECAUSE CANADA HAD ARRESTED SOME OF THEIR MEMBERSHIP FOR TERRORIST ACTS. THE BOMBING WAS PREVENTED BECAUSE THE FBI HAD THE SUBJECTS UNDER SURVEILLANCE AND SAW THEM PLACE THE BOMB. THEY WERE ARRESTED AFTER THE BOMB WAS PLACED IN THE TERMINAL AND IT WAS DEACTIVATED WITHIN FIFTEEN MINUTES OF DETONATION.

3. ANTI-CASTRO CUBAN TERRORISM:

SLIDE 31: TERRORISM CUBAN CONNECTION -- THE CUBAN ANTI-CASTRO MOVEMENT BEGAN IN THE LATE 1950'S. IN 1959, CUBANS ROSE IN REVOLT AGAINST THE MILITARY DICTATORSHIP THAT SURROUNDED CUBA DURING THAT PERIOD. THE REBEL TROOPS WERE LED TO VICTORY BY FIDEL CASTRO, WHO LATER BECAME CUBA'S FIRST PRIME MINISTER. IN A SHORT PERIOD OF TIME IT BECAME CLEAR TO MANY CUBANS THAT CASTRO WAS BUILDING A COMMUNIST STATE. UNWILLING TO LIVE UNDER A COMMUNIST RULE, THOUSANDS OF CUBANS FLED THEIR HOMELAND, LEAVING FAMILY AND FRIENDS BEHIND. FOLLOWING THE CUBAN REVOLUTION OF 1959, THE UNITED STATES DEvised THE BAY OF PIGS INVASION WHICH UTILIZED ANTI-CASTRO CUBAN EXILES LIVING IN THE UNITED STATES. THE ULTIMATE PLAN FAILED AND CASTRO'S COMMUNIST GOVERNMENT SURIVED. RELATIONS BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND CUBA GREW PROGRESSIVELY WORSE IN THE EARLY 1960'S,

AND EVENTUALLY ERUPTED INTO THE CUBAN MISSILE CRISIS OF 1962. THE CRISIS ENDED WHEN THE SOVIET UNION AGREED TO DISMANTLE ITS NUCLEAR MISSILES IN CUBA IN EXCHANGE FOR THE UNITED STATES AGREEMENT NOT TO INVADE CUBA. NEVERTHELESS, BETWEEN 1961 - 1967, ANTI-CASTRO TERRORISTS CONTINUED THEIR SECRET OPERATIONS AND GUERRILLA RAIDS AGAINST CUBA AND CASTRO.

IN 1976, THE UNITED STATES AND CUBA AGREED TO DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS AND CULTURAL EXCHANGES. DURING THE SAME TIME, ANTI-CASTRO ACTIVITIES WITHIN THE UNITED STATES BECAME THE FOCAL POINT OF RENEWED AND INCREASED PRESSURE FROM THE LAW ENFORCEMENT COMMUNITY. THIS PRESSURE LED TO THE FORMATION OF AN OVERALL ORGANIZED CUBAN TERRORIST GROUP CALLED COORDINATION OF UNITED REVOLUTIONARY ORGANIZATION. THIS NEW AND UNIFIED GROUP AGREED TO CARRY OUT TERRORIST ACTIONS DESIGNED TO OVERTHROW FIDEL CASTRO AND

COMMUNIST CUBA. PARTICIPANTS FURTHER AGREED TO CLAIM ALL ACTIONS PERPETRATED OUTSIDE THE UNITED STATES UNDER THE NAME COORDINATION OF UNITED REVOLUTIONARY ORGANIZATION. CONVERSELY, ALL ACTIONS PERPETRATED WITHIN THE UNITED STATES WERE TO BE CLAIMED UNDER AN EXISTING GROUP NAME OR A FICTITIOUS ONE, ALL IN AN EFFORT TO CONFUSE THE LAW ENFORCEMENT AUTHORITIES.

SLIDE 32: OMEGA 7 LOGO -- OMEGA 7 IS A PSEUDONYM FOR THE CUBAN NATIONALIST MOVEMENT, A FANATICAL ANTI-CASTRO CUBAN EXILE GROUP WHICH WAS FOUNDED IN 1960 TO KEEP ALIVE THE SPIRIT OF THE CONTINUING FIGHT OF CUBAN EXILES AGAINST THE INCUMBENT COMMUNIST GOVERNMENT OF CUBA. THIS GROUP HAS, FOR SOME TWENTY YEARS, COMMITTED NUMEROUS TERRORIST ACTS, INCLUDING MURDER AND POLITICAL ASSASSINATION, UNDER THE GUISE OF FIGHTING COMMUNISM.

SLIDE 33: EXPLOSIVE PARAPHERNALIA RECOVERED IN OMEGA 7 SAFE HOUSE IN NUTLEY, NEW JERSEY.

SLIDE 34: ONE EXAMPLE OF THE OMEGA 7 TARGETS IS THE AEROFLOAT OFFICE IN NEW YORK CITY (ANYTHING PRO-COMMUNIST, RUSSIA, OR CASTRO IS DEEMED FAIR GAME BY THIS GROUP).

SLIDE 35: CUBAN AMBASSADOR'S CAR -- ON MARCH 25, 1980, OMEGA 7 PLACED A BOMB UNDER THE CUBAN AMBASSADOR'S CAR IN NEW YORK CITY. HIS DRIVER LOCATED THE DEVICE IN A GARBAGE BAG AND THREW IT IN THE TRASH. THE DEVICE FAILED TO DETONATE. ON SEPTEMBER 11, 1980, FELIX GARCIA, CUBAN PRESS ATTACHE, WAS ASSASSINATED BY THE OMEGA 7. THIS GROUP HAS BEEN RESPONSIBLE FOR NUMEROUS BOMBINGS, ETC., IN THE UNITED STATES IN THE PAST, AND SO FAR IN 1982, THEY HAVE CLAIMED CREDIT FOR ~~TWO~~ TWO IN MIAMI AND ONE IN UNION CITY, NEW JERSEY.

4. CROATIAN TERRORISM:

THE VARIOUS CROATIAN EXTREMIST ORGANIZATIONS EXISTING WORLDWIDE HAVE ONE COMMON GOAL: THE DESTRUCTION OF THE EXISTING YUGOSLAV STATE AND THE ESTABLISHMENT OF AN INDEPENDENT REPUBLIC OF CROATIA UPON ITS RUINS. THE METHODS UTILIZED BY THESE ORGANIZATIONS DIFFER WIDELY FROM PROPAGANDA TO ASSASSINATION TO ARMED INFILTRATION.

SLIDE 36: (CROATIAN EXTORTION LETTER) THESE GROUPS HAVE ALSO USED EXTORTION TO ELICIT MONEY FROM FELLOW CROATIANS TO FURTHER THIS CAUSE. THE LETTER PORTRAYED IS ONE OF THOSE SENT.

SLIDE 37: (CROATIAN BOOK BOMB) SOME OF THE RECIPIENTS WHO RECEIVED EXTORTIONATE LETTERS AND FAILED TO RESPOND RECEIVED BOOK BOMBS SUCH AS THIS. THIS ONE WAS MAILED TO A CROATIAN PRIEST IN MILWAUKEE. IT DETONATED DURING HANDLING BY A BOMB SQUAD MEMBER. HE WAS INJURED BUT NONE WAS KILLED.

SLIDE 38: THE TWO CROATIANS PICTURED HERE WERE TO DELIVER TWO PIPE BOMBS TO CROATIANS IN LOS ANGELES, WHO FAILED TO RESPOND TO THE EXTORTIONATE LETTERS. THE BOMB EXPLODED IN TRANSIT.

SLIDE 39: THIS CROATIAN WAS WORKING ON THE SAME TYPE BOMB AS THE ONE THAT KILLED THE TWO CROATIANS IN LOS ANGELES WHEN IT EXPLODED.

SLIDE 40: THIS TYPE OF BOMB IS THE TYPE THAT KILLED THE TWO CROATIANS IN LOS ANGELES AND TORONTO. IT WAS RECOVERED IN A CUSTOMS STOP AT NIAGARA FALLS, NEW YORK.

SLIDE 41: YUGOSLAVIAN AMBASSADOR'S HOUSE -- BECAUSE THE CROATIANS WANT A CROATIA FREE FROM YUGOSLAVIA, THEY FEEL YUGOSLAVIAN GOVERNMENTAL REPRESENTATIVES ARE THEIR ENEMY. ON JUNE 3, 1980, THEY BOMBED THE RESIDENCE OF THE FIRST SECRETARY OF YUGOSLAVIAN EMBASSY. THE BOMB WENT OFF AT APPROXIMATELY 4:00 AM, SO NO ONE WAS INJURED. IN 1981, THE FBI HAD GOOD SUCCESS AGAINST THE CROATIANS. A TOTAL OF 15 OF THEIR HIERARCHY WERE ARRESTED AND INDICTED FOR THEIR INVOLVEMENT IN TERRORIST ACTS. SINCE THAT TIME, THEY HAVE CLAIMED CREDIT FOR NO TERRORIST ACTS IN THE UNITED STATES.

OTHER INTERNATIONAL GROUPS

THERE ARE NUMEROUS INTERNATIONAL TERRORIST GROUPS SUCH AS THE PALESTINE LIBERATION ORGANIZATION, THE POPULAR FRONT FOR THE LIBERATION OF PALESTINE, ETC., WHO HAVE SUSPECTED MEMBERS IN THE UNITED STATES. THE FBI, IN ITS ROLE AS THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT'S LEAD AGENCY IN THE FIGHT AGAINST INTERNATIONAL TERRORISM, ATTEMPTS TO IDENTIFY AND NEUTRALIZE THE EFFORTS OF SUCH GROUPS OR INDIVIDUALS BEFORE THEY HAVE A CHANCE TO COMMIT CRIMINAL ACTS.

~~SLIDE 42.~~ (IRISH REPUBLICAN ARMY GUN RECOVERY) AN EXAMPLE OF THIS PREVENTIVE ROLE IS THE RECOVERY OF A SHIPMENT OF WEAPONS TO THE IRISH REPUBLIC ARMY IN NORTHERN IRELAND. THE WEAPONS PICTURED WERE DESTINED FOR TERRORISTS IN NORTHERN IRELAND. THESE WEAPONS WERE RECOVERED IN NEW YORK CITY AND THE PEOPLE SUPPLYING THEM TO NORTHERN IRELAND WERE ARRESTED AND WILL BE TRIED FOR THEIR PROCUREMENT, POSSESSION, AND SHIPMENT.

DOMESTIC TERRORISM

WE HAVE ALREADY DISCUSSED THE PUERTO RICAN PROBLEM IN THE UNITED STATES AND ALTHOUGH THESE GROUPS POSE THE GREATEST THREAT TO THE UNITED STATES, THERE ARE OTHER DOMESTIC GROUPS WHO ARE ALSO ACTIVELY INVOLVED IN TERRORIST ACTIVITY IN THE UNITED STATES.

ONE OF THESE GROUPS IS THE JEWISH DEFENSE LEAGUE.

THE JEWISH DEFENSE LEAGUE WAS ORGANIZED IN SEPTEMBER OF 1968, BY RABBI MEIR D. KAHANE, WHO PROCLAIMED THAT VIOLENCE IS NECESSARY TO ACCOMPLISH THE OBJECTIVES OF JEWISH DEFENSE LEAGUE. HEADQUARTERED IN NEW YORK CITY, THE JEWISH DEFENSE LEAGUE IS COMPOSED PRIMARILY OF YOUNG JEWISH-AMERICAN EXTREMISTS WHO CONSIDER THEMSELVES TO BE PROTECTORS OF "JEWISH RIGHTS" AND SUPPORTERS OF THE STATE OF ISRAEL. CHAPTERS OF THE JEWISH DEFENSE LEAGUE ARE LOCATED IN SEVERAL OF THE LARGER METROPOLITAN AREAS OF THE UNITED STATES. MANY JEWISH DEFENSE LEAGUE MEMBERS HAVE BEEN TRAINED IN SELF-DEFENSE AND THE USE OF FIREARMS. BY MEANS OF ITS TERRORIST ACTIVITY, THE JEWISH DEFENSE LEAGUE HAS ATTEMPTED TO PUBLICIZE THE POOR TREATMENT RECEIVED BY JEWS IN THE SOVIET UNION AND IN ARAB NATIONS.

THE JEWISH DEFENSE LEAGUE CLAIMED CREDIT FOR EIGHT INCIDENTS IN THE UNITED STATES DURING 1981, AND HAVE CLAIMED SIX SO FAR IN 1982.

SLIDES ~~43~~ & 44: TRIPOLI RESTAURANT, NEW YORK CITY.

ON APRIL 5, 1982, A FIRE WAS SET AT THE TRIPOLI RESTAURANT IN NEW YORK CITY. THE FIRE TOTALLY DESTROYED THE RESTAURANT AND ONE ~~EDDLY~~ RESIDENT OF THE BUILDING HOUSING THE RESTAURANT DIED IN THE ENSURING FIRE THAT ENGULFED THE BUILDING.

III. FUTURE TRENDS:

THERE IS NO INDICATION THAT THE TERRORIST GROUPS NOW ACTIVE IN THE UNITED STATES WILL LESSEN THEIR ACTIVITIES. THE CAUSES THAT EACH OF THESE GROUPS ESPOUSE ARE STILL VERY VIABLE AND AS LONG AS THIS IS TRUE, THEY CAN BE EXPECTED TO CONTINUE THEIR TERRORIST ACTS.

QUITE OFTEN THE CONDITIONS IN OTHER PARTS OF THE WORLD GREATLY INFLUENCE THE TYPE OF TERRORIST ACTIVITY IN THE UNITED STATES. SITUATIONS SUCH AS THE ISRAELI INCURSION INTO

LEBANON TO REMOVE THE PALESTINE LIBERATION ORGANIZATION COULD RESULT IN AMERICANS BECOMING MORE FREQUENT TARGETS OF TERRORIST ACTS BOTH INTERNATIONALLY AND IN THE UNITED STATES.

IV. CONCLUSION:

THE FBI, IN ITS ROLE AS THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT'S LEAD AGENCY TO COMBAT TERRORISM IN THE UNITED STATES, IS DEDICATING AN EVER INCREASING AMOUNT OF MANPOWER TO THIS EFFORT, BUT THE FIGHT AGAINST TERRORIST ACTIVITY CAN ONLY BE SUCCESSFUL IF ALL COUNTRIES COOPERATE IN THE EFFORT. ALTHOUGH THE FBI'S JURISDICTION IS LIMITED TO TERRORIST ACTIVITY IN THE UNITED STATES, IT STANDS READY TO COOPERATE WITH GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES AROUND THE WORLD BECAUSE THE SAME GROUPS THAT ARE ACTIVE IN OR WHO POSE A THREAT TO THE UNITED STATES ARE ALSO ACTIVE IN MANY ~~OF YOUR~~ OTHER COUNTRIES.

SLIDE 45: QUESTIONS.